

# South Dakota National Guard

## Public Affairs Office

Phone: 605-737-6721 Email: [ng.sd.sdarng.list.pao@mail.mil](mailto:ng.sd.sdarng.list.pao@mail.mil) Web: [sd.ng.mil](http://sd.ng.mil)



### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

June 15, 2016

## **730th ASMC aids local population and hosts training**

By Sgt. Lori Harris  
730th Area Support Medical Company

FORT THOMPSON, S.D. – Soldiers of the 730th Area Support Medical Company provided medical and dental services for the Fort Thompson and Lower Brule area Native American population, in coordination with Indian Health Services during the Golden Coyote training exercise, June 15.

Personnel of the 730th supported local clinics to provide doctor examinations, laboratory services and X-ray assistance.

“We were up and running in the clinic in just four hours after our arrival,” said Maj. Timothy Quinn, Physician Assistant with the 730th.

The unit also provided dental exams, cavity repair and tooth extraction.

“The dental aspect we are bringing to the community makes an outstanding positive impact as the Lower Brule community does not have fulltime dental capabilities,” said 1st Sgt. Adam Myer, 730th ASMC.

Pediatric patients were seen and treated through well-baby checks and head-start physicals. The Soldiers also made sure these young patients were up to date with immunizations and educated parents on necessary future vaccinations.

“The community has been very welcoming of our presence,” said Myer. “Service members have worked through any issues that arose thus far with positive attitudes.”

Members of the 147th Forward Support Company and the 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion completed a combat lifesaver course taught by the 730th to enhance combat emergency medical preparedness.

CLS instructors from the 730th coordinated with aviation personnel from Company C, 1st Battalion 189th Aviation Regiment to provide medical evacuations with UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters. Training emphasized casualty assessment, requesting helicopter support using 9-line medical evacuation request, securing a landing zone and proper loading and unloading of patients.

This exercise provides realistic training to enhance Soldiers’ skills and provide support to local communities.

-30-

High resolution photos are available at [www.flickr.com/photos/southdakotationalguard](http://www.flickr.com/photos/southdakotationalguard)



**160615-Z-GN330-008:** Combat lifesaver students litter carry a mock casualty from a Blackhawk helicopter as part of a medical evacuation training lane June 15th, 2016, near Pierre, S.D., during the Golden Coyote training exercise. The training lane was part of a three-day Combat Lifesaver Course put on by the 730th Area Support Medical Company and was attended by members of the 147th Forward Support Company and the 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Sgt. 1st Class Shannon Crane/Released)



**160615-Z-GN330-006:** Combat lifesaver students take notes during an initial briefing at the start of a medical evacuation training lane June 15th, 2016, near Pierre, S.D., during the Golden Coyote training exercise. The training lane was part of a three-day Combat Lifesaver Course put on by the 730th Area Support Medical Company and was attended by members of the 147th Forward Support Company and the 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Sgt. 1st Class Shannon Crane/Released)



**160615-Z-GN330-009:** Army Staff Sgt. Chad Nielsen, a combat medic with the 730th Area Support Medical Company (left), shows Spc. Dustin Honkamp, a combat lifesaver course student, how to properly dress a head wound as part of a medical evacuation training lane June 15th, 2016, near Pierre, S.D., during the Golden Coyote training exercise. The training lane was part of a three-day Combat Lifesaver Course put on by the 730th Area Support Medical Company and was attended by members of the 147th Forward Support Company and the 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Sgt. 1st Class Shannon Crane/Released)



**160615-Z-GN330-007:** Combat lifesaver students listen to a safety briefing on how to approach a Blackhawk helicopter during a medical evacuation training lane June 15th, 2016, near Pierre, S.D., during the Golden Coyote training exercise. The training lane was part of a three-day Combat Lifesaver Course put on by the 730th Area Support Medical Company and was attended by members of the 147th Forward Support Company and the 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Sgt. 1st Class Shannon Crane/Released)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** contact Capt. Amber Symonds at (605) 737-6969 or cell (605) 639-5147, e-mail [amber.a.symonds.mil@mail.mil](mailto:amber.a.symonds.mil@mail.mil).